

REMARKS

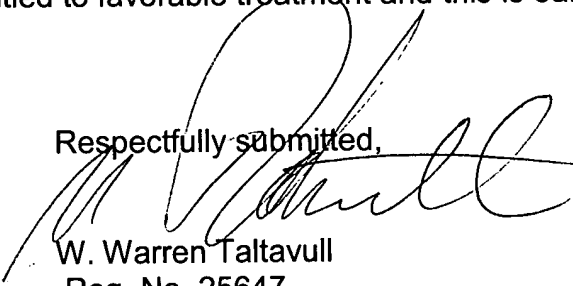
Reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested.

In response to the election requirements, the applicant elects without traverse the invention of Group I including claims 1-15, 17-20, 22-25. As to the species, Species I is elected and the claims deemed readable on the elected species are claims 1-15, 17-20 and 22-24.

The non elected method claims have been cancelled without prejudice as has claim 25.

Having addressed all of the points raised in the Office action, it is believed that the application is now entitled to favorable treatment and this is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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